Abstract of the Disclosure

A gatekeeper connected to an H323 network, includes a first message receiving section, a transport data transmitting section, and a control

5 section. The first message receiving section receives a gatekeeper discovery message from an end point. The control section determines whether the gatekeeper has the lightest load among a plurality of gatekeepers including the gatekeeper, and controls the transport

10 data transmitting section to transmit transport data to the end point in response to the gatekeeper discovery message, when it is determined that the gatekeeper has the lightest load.